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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence,
Central Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT: Release of Classified Department of
State Materials to CIA Contractor

- REFERENCES:
1. USIB-D-39.5/2, 10 November 1959, Attachment B: Agreement for Implementing USIB Policy on Release of Intelligence to Contractors of USIB Organizations.
 2. CIA Memorandum of 27 June 1960
 3. Department of State Reply of 14 July 1960
 4. CIA Memorandum of 9 September 1960

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The Department of State has carefully reviewed the CIA memorandum of 9 September 1960, requesting authorization for the release, to the [redacted] of 63 different Departmental publications listed in an attachment thereto.

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It is noted that 45 of these 63 publications are recurring issues of the Department of State for which continuing release authorization was originally sought in the CIA memorandum of 27 June 1960. These comprise issuances in the "International Communism", "the Intelligence Analyst", "Current Economic Developments", "Current Foreign Relations" and "Government Sponsored Research on Foreign Areas" series. Although the Department's preliminary views as to the releasability of these issuances were informally outlined at a meeting attended by a representative of your office held some weeks ago, it is regretted that the Department's position on their release has not heretofore been formally communicated to CIA. After careful review of this matter, and for reasons cited at that meeting, however, the Department must decline to authorize the release [redacted] either on a continuing basis or in response to ad hoc requests, of any issuance in

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the "International Communism", "the Intelligence Analyst", "Current Economic Developments", or "Current Foreign Relations" series. Should the Central Intelligence Agency from time to time consider an article contained in one of these serial issuances to have a particular bearing on a specific project in which [redacted] is engaged, the Department will entertain a request for authorization to release that item, but no useful purpose would be served at this time by further requests for authorization to release [redacted] in toto any issuance in these four series.

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The Department is disposed to regard favorably the proposal to release [redacted] issuances of "Government Sponsored Research on Foreign Areas", a serial publication which has replaced the discontinued "Foreign Area and Psychological Warfare Research" series, for which release authorization was requested in the CIA memorandum of 27 June 1960. However, since issuances in this series regularly contain information supplied by and related to the activities of a number of other Government agencies, the Department deems it necessary to consult with these agencies as to the proposed release. Memoranda expressly requesting permission for the release of this issuance to [redacted] on a continuing basis have been sent to all interested agencies, and the Department's decision as to its releasability will be communicated to CIA upon receipt of these agencies' replies.

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It is noted that five other publications listed in the attachment to the CIA memorandum of 9 September 1960 are issuances of the International Cooperation Administration rather than of the Department of State. Authorization for the release of these publications should be sought from the Office of Statistics and Reports of ICA (Room 217, 2A-1).

The remaining 13 Department of State intelligence reports and intelligence information briefs for which release authorization is sought are currently being reviewed by interested Departmental offices, and the Department expects to be able to communicate its decision at an early date as to whether or not these documents may be released.

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The Department will be glad to explain its general policy on releases to contractors as well as the specific reasons underlying the decisions stated above, and "to work out procedures for release on a timely basis of those documents requiring ad hoc approval" at a meeting of representatives of our two organizations as proposed in the CIA memorandum of 9 September 1960. It is suggested that interested members of your staff communicate directly with Mr. Oakley or with Mr. Mettinger (Code 16) Extension 2301 of the Division of Intelligence Collection and Distribution to work out arrangements for such a meeting.

Robert B. Elwood
Director,
Office of Intelligence
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